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Applicant : Fount *et al.*

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For: PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF HCV INFECTION EMPLOYING
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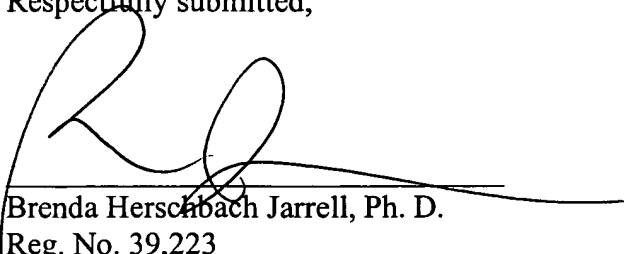
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), Applicant hereby petitions for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the September 10, 2002 Office Action in the above-identified application from December 10, 2002, to and including February 10, 2003. A check in the amount of \$205.00 for small entity status is enclosed herewith.

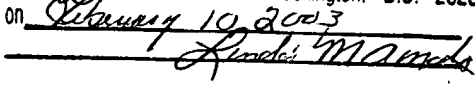
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Respectfully submitted,

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